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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: VISIT BY IRANIAN OFFICIAL TO NEW LISBON
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

REFS: 1) TEHRAN 2842; 2) TEHRAN 1767 OF MARCH 19, 1973;
3) TEHRAN 2821 OF APRIL 25, 1973; 4) TEHRAN 3490 OF MAY 21,
1973; 5) LISBON 0993 OF MARCH 20, 1973; 6) LISBON1516 OF
APRIL 26, 1973.

1. RE TEHRAN 2842, WE ASSUME YOU MEAN THAT GENERAL
KHADEMI IS INTERESTED IN NEW LISBON AIRPORT PROJECT,
FOR WHICH TAMS HEADS ONE OF EIGHT GROUPS ON SHORT
LIST OF BIDDERS. HOWEVER, THIS PROJECT IS JUST
ENTERING STAGE OF PROPOSAL PREPARATION BY EIGHT
BIDDERS AND GROUND WILL NOT BE BROKEN BEFORE 1975
AT EARLIEST. OTHER PLANNING CABINET OFFICES THERE
IS NOTHING HERE TO INSPECT.

2. DOES GENERAL KHADEMI HAVE STANDING INVITATION
TO VISIT COLONEL RODRIGUES DE OLIVEIRA JUNIOR,
DIRECTOR OF NEW LISBON AIRPORT PLANNING CABINET?
WHEN WE INQUIRED LAST YEAR (LISBON 1516 OF 4/26/73),
COLONEL RODRIGUES DE OLIVEIRA WAS UNWILLING TO RECEIVE
GENERAL KHADEMI WITHOUT APPROVAL OF GOP MINISTER OF
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COMMUNICATIONS. HOWEVER, IF GENERAL KHADEMI HAS

INVITATION AND WISHES TO VISIT LISBON IN SPITE OF
ABSENCE OF FACILITIES TO INSPECT, PLEASE CONFIRM
AND WE WILL CONTACT COLONEL OLIVEIRA RE PROPOSED
DATES.

3. IF GENERAL KHADEMI DOES NOT HAVE INVITATION AND
WISHES TO CONTACT COLONELOLIVEIRA OR OTHER GOP
AVIATION AUTHORITIES, WE SUGGEST GOI DO SO DIRECTLY
OR THROUGH ITS EMBASSY IN PARIS, WHICH IS ACCREDITED
TO LISBON. WHILE WE WILLING TO SPEAK TO
OLIVEIRA ABOUT THIS MATTER, WE RECEIVED IMPRESSION
LAST YEAR THAT OLIVEIRA THOUGHT IT ODD THAT GENERAL
KHADEMI WAS USING AMERICAN EMBASSY AS AN
INTERMEDIARY.
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